



**Virginia Green Lodging** is the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) initiative to promote pollution prevention (P2) practices in the tourism and hospitality industry. *Green Lodging* encourages hotels, resorts, and other hospitality operations to be aware of their impact on the environment and to take steps to reduce these impacts. *Green Lodging* is a non-regulatory program, and participation is completely voluntary and free of charge.

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## Virginia Green Lodging Profile:



# The Deltaville Inn

## Bed and Breakfast

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The Deltaville Inn Bed and Breakfast is located in Deltaville in Middlesex County and features three guest rooms. The Inn is a traditional Cape Cod situated on over seven acres including gardens and an in-ground swimming pool. The Inn opened in August 2007. The Deltaville Inn is committed to environmental excellence and works to minimize environmental impacts whenever possible.

**Green Lodging Activities.** When visiting The Deltaville Inn, you can expect the following practices:

- 🌱 **Optional Linen Service**
- 🌱 **Recycling**
- 🌱 **Water Conservation**
- 🌱 **Energy Conservation**
- 🌱 **Green Events Package**

### Optional Linen Service

- Trained on process of optional linen service
- Use non-phosphate, non-toxic, biodegradable laundry detergents
- Minimize the use of bleach and chlorinated chemicals
- Use "wet" techniques versus "dry cleaning"

### Recycling

- Recycle glass, aluminum cans, steel cans, plastic, office paper, toner cartridges, newspaper, cardboard, packing supplies, fluorescent lamps, batteries and electronics equipment and compost food wastes

### Waste Reduction

- Track overall waste bills
- Refill bulk soap dispensers instead of using individual soaps and refill shampoo bottles
- Save and reuse unopened items
- Eliminate use of Styrofoam
- Use dishware and glassware to minimize use of disposables
- Disposable containers, if used, are made from recycled content



- Use non-bleached cloth napkins and coffee filters
- Provide condiments, cream and sugar in bulk
- Refill water pitchers to minimize single use bottles
- Donate excess food from events
- Implement effective food inventory system to minimize waste
- Purchase locally grown, organic and sustainable-grown produce and other foods
- Purchase recycled-content paper-towels and toilet paper when possible
- Encourage suppliers to minimize packaging and other waste materials
- Purchase from vendors and service providers with a commitment to the environment
- Use two-sided copying and printing
- Use electronic correspondence and forms
- Purchase durable equipment and furniture
- Use latex paint and recycle/dispose of thinners and solvents properly
- Use preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing and vehicles
- Effective inventory system and labeling of last-in/first-out
- Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides and use integrated pest management

#### **Water Conservation**

- Track overall water usage and wastewater
- Preventative maintenance of drips and leaks
- High efficiency dishwashers
- Use dry clean up methods over water-based methods
- Low flow toilets and restrictors on faucets and showerheads
- Effective landscape management plan and rain gardens
- Effective storm water management plan and minimization of impervious areas

#### **Energy Conservation**

- Tracking overall energy bills and set a numeric goal to reduce
- Use high efficiency compact fluorescent light bulbs in rooms and spotlights
- Use high efficiency fluorescent ballasts and lamps
- Individual thermostats for each room
- Use natural lighting whenever possible and lighting sensors
- Thermal rated windows and insulation
- Use directional lighting in parking lots and walkways
- Design and operation of building is “LEED” certified
- Purchase fuel efficient vehicles
- Send old linens to local animal shelter
- Allow guests to borrow in-house laptop, instead of maintaining lots of brochures




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For more information on **The Deltaville Inn**, see

<http://deltavilleinn.com>.

For more information on **Virginia Green Lodging** program, see

[www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/lodging](http://www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/lodging).



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